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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Briefing of the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence on
Counterintelligence - 15 August 1978 []

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1. [] On 15 August, the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence received a briefing from Intelligence Community representatives on the subject of counterintelligence. The briefing was held in Room S-407 of the Capitol from 10:00 a.m. to approximately 12:15 p.m. Ben Marshall, Committee Security Director, made security arrangements for the briefing. [] recorded the session.

2. [] Members present during all or part of the briefing were:

Birch Bayh (D., Ind.), Chairman
Barry Goldwater (R., Ariz.), Vice Chairman
Jake Garn (R., Utah)
John H. Chafee (R., R.I.)
Malcolm Wallop (R., Wyo.)
Charles McC. Mathias, Jr., (R., Md.)
Richard G. Lugar (R., Ind.)

3. [] Committee staff members present were:

William G. Miller, Staff Director
Earl Eisenhower, Minority Staff
Director
Stan Taylor
Edward Levine
Sam Bouchard
Mike Gelacak
Tom Moore
Audrey Hatry
John Elliff

Jean Evans
Ted Ralston
Keith Raffel
Hal Ford
Don Sanders
Patrick Norton
Abram Shulsky
David Shaw
Tom Crowley
William Quinn

4. [] Intelligence Community representatives were:

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5. [] Mr. Williams opened the session by presenting an overview of current counterintelligence activities and concerns. Senator Goldwater asked about one point made--numerous U.S. travelers abroad. Specifically, Senator Goldwater asked if there was any program to educate travelers about possible approaches by hostile intelligence services. Mr. Cregar indicated the Bureau had initiated a program to contact businessmen before their travel and had prepared some literature for the businessmen. He volunteered to supply copies of the literature to the Committee. After the introductory remarks, two films on counterintelligence operations were shown the Committee. One concerned an FBI double agent operation in the U.S. and the second was the apprehension of a Soviet [] who had just received classified information.

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6. [] Mr. Cregar next discussed FBI counterintelligence programs describing the mission of the Counterintelligence Division, the concept of "criteria countries," [] There was considerable discussion regarding whether [] would have been discovered today because of restrictive Attorney General guidelines on counterintelligence activities. Cregar offered the opinion that critical steps in the investigation would not have been possible today while Chairman Bayh disagreed. Mr. Cregar's presentation was followed by Mr. Morrow, who discussed DOD programs stressing the Department's affinity for double agent operations. [] concluded the individual presentation by discussing the mission and activities of CIA's counterintelligence unit. Finally, the Committee and staff were invited to examine numerous pieces of equipment built by hostile intelligence services for espionage, which had been set up for display purposes. The display included the antenna discovered earlier this year in the chimney of the U.S. Embassy in Moscow.

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7. [] There were no follow-up items for this office.

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